

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/649,215	LAMKIN ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Tuan A. Vu	2193	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Tuan A. Vu. (3) _____

(2) Steven Freeland. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 14 November 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 5, 8 and 9.

Identification of prior art discussed: n/a.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.



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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The effect of this Examiner's initiated interview was to put together a claimed scenario by which the elements of claim 1 are interrelated so to reasonably yield what is understood as a image combining programmatic content and video/audio content. That is, claim language specifics were proposed to reasonably convey utilization of more than one source files when creating the programmatic content, based on a possibly repetitive variable searching and replacing steps process. It was agreed that when all the independent claims include the above proposed changes as well as being free of 101- statutory type or 112 type deficiency, the claims would be proper for an Examiner's Amendment. .

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<p>Appln. No.: 09/649,215</p> <p>Applicant(s): Lamkin et al. Filed: August 28, 2000 Title: SOFTWARE ENGINE FOR COMBINING VIDEO OR AUDIO CONTENT WITH PRGORAMMATIC CONTENT</p> <p>Examiner: Vu, Tuan A.</p> <p>Art Unit: 2193 Customer No.: 22242 Confirm. No.: 7416</p>	<p><u>Certificate of Transmission/Mailing</u></p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, Fax. No. (703) 872-9306, deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or electronically submitted on the date shown below:</p> <hr/> <table><tr><td>Date</td><td>Steven M. Freeland Registration No. 42,555 Attorney for Applicants</td></tr></table>	Date	Steven M. Freeland Registration No. 42,555 Attorney for Applicants
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DRAFT PROPOSED EXAMINER CLAIMS AMENDMENT

Examiner Vu:

Responsive to your request on November 14, 2007 to provide the claim set that includes the Proposed Examiner Amendments, below is the Draft set of Proposed Claims.

Claims 1, 5, 8, and 9 have been amended and claim 10 cancelled. I believe that that the Application as filed provides support for all of these amendments. Further, I believes that the Draft Proposed Amendments incorporate all of the limitations that you suggested and agreed upon.

Please let me know if you have questions. Thank you again for all your help in the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Nov. 15, 2007

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DRAFT Proposed Amendments To The Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for combining video/audio content with programmatic content comprising:

generating authoring output comprising ~~a definition~~ one or more definitions for a ~~variable~~ one or more variables, and further comprising a representation of the video/audio content corresponding to video/audio content to be displayed, the representation of the video/audio content defining how the video/audio content is to be displayed;

selecting [[a]] one or more source file files that correspond with at least one of the one or more definitions of the generated authoring output, where each of the one or more source file comprising the variable files comprises at least one of the one or more variables;

searching an instance of each of the one or more source file files for [[the]] said at least one variable, and with each instance of the one or more source files replacing [[the]] said at least one variable with the corresponding definition for [[the]] said at least one variable within that instance of the source file such that the instance of the source file contains the corresponding definition for [[the]] said at least one variable;

generating programmatic content in accordance with each of the selected one or more source files each comprising the corresponding definition in response to the searching and replacing;

generating an image as a function of the programmatic content and the representation of the video/audio content; and

combining the image with the video/audio content.

Claim 2 (original): The method of Claim 1 further comprising storing said image to a storage medium.

Claim 3 (original): The method of Claim 1 further comprising transmitting said image through a transmission medium.

Claim 4 (original): The method of Claim 1 wherein said searching includes searching said source file at build time.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The method of Claim 1 wherein said searching includes searching said source file at run time in reproducing the video/audio content.

Claim 6 (original): The method of Claim 5 wherein said searching includes searching in response to a software engine executed on a browser.

Claim 7 (original): The method of Claim 5 wherein said searching includes searching in response to the insertion of a DVD into a hardware device.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A system comprising a processor and memory, where in the memory stores program instructions that at least in part support means for combining video/audio content with programmatic content, the system comprising:
means for selecting one or more source files that correspond with at least one of one or more definitions of an authoring output, wherein the authoring output comprises the one or more definitions for one or more variables and further comprises a representation of the video/audio content corresponding to video/audio content to be displayed, the representation of the video/audio content defining how the video/audio content is to be displayed, and wherein each of the one or more source files comprises at least one of the one or more variables;

means for searching an instance of each of the one or more source file files for [[a]] said at least one variable, and for replacing within each instance of the one or more source files said at least one [[the]] variable with [[a]] the corresponding definition for [[the]] said at least one variable within that said instance of the source file;

means for generating programmatic content in accordance with each of the selected one or more source files, each comprising the corresponding definition, in response to the searching and replacing;

means for generating an image as a function of the programmatic content and ~~[[a]] the representation of the audio/video content, the representation of the audio/video content defining how the video/audio content is to be displayed;~~ and

means for combining the image with the video/audio content.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A computer program product stored on a computer-readable medium for use in combining video/audio content with programmatic content comprising:

code to select one or more source files that correspond with at least one of one or more definitions of an authoring output, wherein the authoring output comprising the one or more definitions for one or more variables, and further comprising a representation of the video/audio content corresponding to video/audio content to be displayed, the representation of the video/audio content defining how the video/audio content is to be displayed, and wherein each of the one or more source files comprises at least one of the one or more variables;

code to parse each of the one or more [[a]] source file files searching for [[a]] said at least one variable, replacing the to replace in each instance of the one or more source files said at least one variable with a corresponding definition for [[the]] said at least one variable within the that instance of the source file, and generating to generate programmatic content in accordance with each of the selected one or more source files, each of said one or more selected source files comprising the corresponding one or more definitions, in response to the searching parsing and replacing;

code to generate an image as a function of the programmatic content and a representation of the audio/video content, the representation of the audio/video content defining how the video/audio content is to be displayed; and

code to format and combine the image with the video/audio content.

Claim 10 (Cancel)

Claim 11 (previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the instance of the source file is a copy of the source file.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The system of claim 8, wherein the instance of the source file is a copy of the source file.

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